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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE SECTION

WOMEN MEET AT PLYMOUTH

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FED- ERATION OF CONGREGATIONAL WOMEN OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

The annual meeting of the Federation of Congregational Women of Northern California will be held the afternoon and evening of Thursday, January 16 and the morning and afternoon of Friday, January 17, at Plymouth Church, Oakland.

The program Thursday afternoon will present the work among our "Filipino Neighbors in California" by Rev. Pedro F. Royola, the earnest spiritual director of the hundreds of Filipino young men in the Salinas Valley, and an address on the Institute of Pacific Relations by Mrs. Alfred McLaughlin, secretary of American Council, Institute of Pacific Relations. At the evening session Dr. Frank W. Hodgdon will speak on "The Foreign Student" out of his wide experience from his association with young men of the Orient at the Pacific School of Religion.

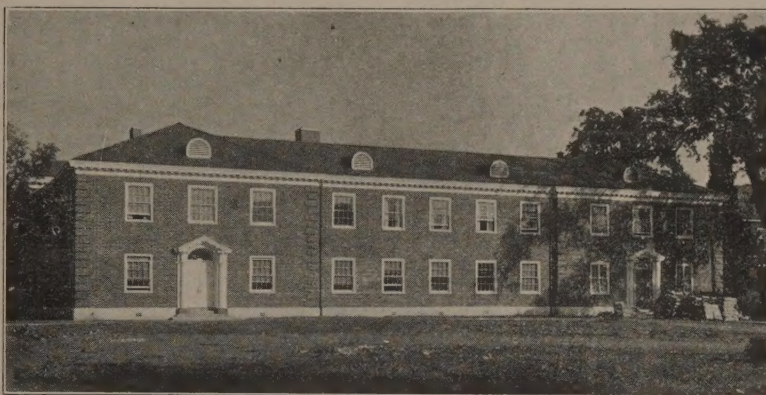
Friday morning will be an interesting time in the hearing of what the Federation, through its various departments, has accomplished during the year; the election of officers and reports by the Home and Foreign Secretaries. The afternoon will be given to three addresses: "The Rural Church" by Rev. Jessie Getty Heath, "Youth Takes Its Cue" by Miss Ada Rose Demerest, Religious Director of Pioneer Memorial Church, Sacramento, and "Protestantism Deserting the Poor" by Rev. Norman W. Pendleton of Trinity Center, San Francisco.

What promises to be an interesting feature is the Symposium to be held Thursday afternoon between 4:30 and 5:30 when opportunity will be given for open discussion on vital interests of the Federation, led by Mrs. Thomas Giffen, Miss Demerest, Mrs. Miles B. Fisher and Mrs. Thomas E. Borden.

A cordial invitation is extended to pastors and laymen to attend any of the sessions and to be present at the Fellowship dinner Thursday evening at 6:30. Reservations for the dinner should be given to the women in your church who have been appointed to take them.

WELCOME HOME, DR. VAN HORN

Members and friends of First Congregational Church Oakland gathered in a large number on the evening of December 10 to welcome Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Van Horn back to the field which they served in a former pastorate. Dr. John Wright Buckham presided and introduced representatives from the Conference, the city and churches of Oakland, and the First Church. Supt. C. H. Harrison of Oregon was guest and speaker. Dr. T. T. Giffen offered the prayer of consecration. The service of Recognition, so called, was unique in the many and richly deserved tributes to the pastor's wife. Dr. Van Horn is in the best of health and is taking up the work of the church with vigor and enthusiasm and the members are responding splendidly to his leadership.



New Educational Building, First Congregational Church, Stockton, California
Erected at a total cost of about \$80,000, and fully paid for before dedication. The church auditorium will be a separate building standing in the large space in front of the present structure.

Sacramento Calls Pastor

The Sacramento Church has unanimously called Rev. Lawrence Wilson of the Mission Hills Congregational Church of San Diego. He has accepted to begin his work early in February.

Six and a half years ago he came to a young church in a new community in San Diego. During his pastorate the membership more than doubled and is now over 500. In his parish are the Mayor, Chief of Police, Sheriff, a large proportion of city and county officials, Superintendent of Schools, judges, and a number of the faculty of San Diego State Teachers' College. The church has had a distinctive program for the fostering of family life, including Leagues of Youth, regular church family dinner and a Sunday evening family hour.

Prior to his coming to San Diego, Mr. Wilson was pastor of Park Church, Greeley, Colorado, where he had a notable ministry. He was a member of the Yale band in 1910 to Montana where he served struggling frontier churches. During the war he was with the Y. M. C. A. at Camp Lewis and in France.

Mr. Wilson comes to Sacramento in response to the challenge of a church with an excellent plant but in a city in which religious work is difficult. There is but one Congregational church in the Capital City and the pastor in the pulpit of that church may easily be a great influence not only in that city but throughout central California.

The Pacific congratulates Mr. Wilson upon the opportunity and the Sacramento Church upon its happy choice.

Pastoral Conference

The Tenth Pastoral Conference conducted by the Pacific School of Religion will be held at Berkeley, February 4, 5 and 6. James Henry Breasted, LL.D., Litt.D., will be the Earle Lecturer. His general subject will be "Recent Research in the Origin and Development of Civilization." Dr. F. W. Norwood of City Temple, London; Dr. S. Angus, Professor of New Testament and Historical Theology in St. Andrew's College, Australia; Dr. G. A. Johnston Ross of Union Theological Seminary, Dr. O. W. S. McCall of First Congregational Church, Berkeley; Dr. W. F. Bade and Dr. George T. Tolson of Pacific School of Religion, will speak. Our Conference Superintendent desires to meet all pastors of Congregational Churches who are in attendance, at a luncheon on one of the days. Invitations will be mailed later.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BAY ASS'N

Olivet Church, Oakland, will entertain the Bay Association in its annual meeting on Tuesday, January 14. Rev. T. T. Giffen and Rev. G. A. Charnock will conduct the devotional services. Addresses will be given by Rev. C. J. Hawkins, and Rev. Harley H. Gill. There will be a symposium on "What can the Church do for Christ this year?" by three ministers and three laymen. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected and the committee on By-Laws which has been a work for many months, will make its complete report. Dinner reservations must be made by Monday the 13th. Telephone OLympic 3408.

BROADMOOR ON THE MARCH

The new Broadmoor Church building is rapidly nearing completion; plastering of the interior has already begun.

The corner stone of the church will be laid on Sunday afternoon, January 19, at 3 o'clock with appropriate ceremonies.

A cordial invitation is extended to all churches to send representatives.

There will be eighteen new members added to the church on Sunday, January 5.

The choir has been reorganized and a number of new members added. Church attendance at the morning service has decidedly increased. The Junior-Intermediate Department of our Sunday School is over-crowding the present building and the Beginners and Primary Departments are meeting in the Auditorium of the Public School building across the way.

The Women's Society made \$300 from their recent bazaar and has paid \$1,550 on their \$1,800 pledge to the new church building fund.

A Happy Funeral

A joyful and spectacular "funeral" took place Sunday evening, December 1, at the Pilgrim Armenian Congregational Church in Fresno. The occasion was the literal burning of the remaining indebtedness on the church property, which was purchased in 1921 from the First Presbyterian Church for \$100,000.

The note, which has been held by the Church Building Society, was borne up the aisle by two pallbearers, the clerk of the church and the chairman of the Board of Trustees. Heads of other organizations followed in the procession. Eight small boys and girls carried candles. Floral tributes by the Ladies Aid Society were profuse.

The pastor, Rev. M. G. Papazian, is granted a second leave of absence from this church which he has served since August, 1914. He sails from New York December 14, going on an Evangelistic mission to the Armenian churches in the Near East. This mission supplements his work of last year when he visited 39 Armenian churches in this country.

The trip will take him to England, France, Greece, Cyprus, Egypt, Palestine and Syria. The Ministerial Union of Fresno has appointed him "the potential de facto Golden Rule Ambassador to the Near East."

CHRISTMAS IN TRINITY

Over mountain roads in winter our missionary, Rev. Robert J. Allen, carries the Christmas message to isolated communities of Trinity County. Recently with the use of stereopticon he presented the illustrated drama sermon "King of Kings" to eight localities:

December 26—Hyampom
December 27—Hayfork
December 29—Weaverville
December 30—Salyer
December 31—Big Bar
January 2—Helena
January 2—Junction
January 3—Lewiston

When we devote ourselves to the conception of life which Jesus gave us we experience an inner warmth which assures us that Divinity is here.

When we follow an ideal resolutely and sacrificially there is a glowing feeling within which makes us certain of the Companion on the way.

When we rise to some height of aspiration or vision we know that this is the plane where we find the trysting place with God

And when we sound the topmost note of our lives there is a resonance which tells us that we are in tune with the Infinite.

—LAWRENCE WILSON.

PROGRAM AT TRINITY CENTER

Trinity Center has been ever called a "Busy Bee Hive," for the following regular schedule reveals the varied lines of service rendered the community by this enterprise carried on jointly by the Presbyterians and Congregationalists, under the leadership of Homer K. Pitman, D.D., and Norman W. Pendleton:

Monday

- 12 p.m.—Students and staff conference and lunch.
- 3:30 p.m.—Boys' choir and club.
- 7:00 p.m.—Pioneers Boys' Club.
- 8:30 p.m.—Comrades, "The Bob Cats."

Tuesday

- Women's Federation.
- 3:30 p.m.—Camp Fire Girls.
- 7:30 p.m.—Business Girls' Club.
- 7:30 p.m.—Second Tuesday Trinity Men's Club.

Wednesday

- 7:30 p.m.—Free legal clinic for all needing the advice of a lawyer.
- 3:30 p.m.—Girl Reserve Club.
- 7:30 p.m.—Devotional and song service for adults.
- 8:30 p.m.—Community entertainment with moving picture feature.

Thursday

- Second and Fourth Thursday at noon—Mission Park Ladies and First and Third Thursdays Priscilla Club.
- 3:30 p.m.—Girls' Glee Club.
- 7 p.m.—Trinity Center Orchestra.
- 7:30 p.m.—Boy Scout Troop 55.

Friday

- 1 p.m.—Well-baby Clinic.
- 7:30 p.m.—Young Men's Club.

Saturday

- Morning—Rhythmic dancing class.
- Afternoon—Hikes, picnics, etc., in season.

Sunday

- 9:45 a.m.—Big Brothers' Bible Class for men.
- 9:45 a.m.—Mrs. Deninson's Class for women.
- 10:30 a.m.—"The Service Beautiful."
- 11 a.m.—Junior Church.
- 3:30 p.m.—Language Church.
- 6:30 p.m.—Young People's Societies.
- 7:30 p.m.—Great popular Sunday night service.

The Young People of the Fairfax Church serve in choir. They assisted with the Christmas program at the poor farm and sent twenty pounds of candy to the state prison. Sixteen attended the rally at Berkeley, and twenty-nine at Plymouth, Oakland.

The Sunday School of Plymouth, Oakland, has asked for a list of twenty projects, so that each of sixteen classes may choose one for the coming year. Mr. Clifford O. Simpson is now the Educational Director.

The children of the Sunday School of First Church, San Francisco, though few in number, presented 32 pairs of slippers to children in the Shriners and San Francisco City and County Hospitals.

CERES

The annual meeting at Ceres, at which the former pastor presided, showed a balance in every department and the benevolence goal of \$700 fully raised. The women of the church presented Mrs. Atkinson with a circassian cedar chest, while the men gave the retiring pastor a complete traveling bag as parting gifts.

SAN CARLOS

At the annual meeting all bills for the year were reported paid and a small surplus in the treasury to begin the new year. A larger budget was adopted for the coming year. A change in time of service was also voted, making the preaching service in the morning, with an occasional evening service.

DR. BADE HONORED

Dr. Wm. Frederic Bade of the Pacific School of Religion, has been called east to fill a number of important lecture engagements, including the Archeological Institute of America, the American Philological Association, the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis and the American School of Oriental Research. Early in January Dr. Bade will go to Brooklyn where he will speak before the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. On his return trip Dr. Bade will deliver addresses in Cleveland, Springfield, Oxford and Cincinnati, Ohio, and in Chicago. In these cities he will speak on "The Romance of a Buried City." Studying the architecture of the eastern museums is one of the principal objects of Dr. Bade's trip.

PERSONALS

Rev. William H. Youngman, who has been progressing nicely in recovery from a recent illness, returned to his work too quickly and has had a temporary set back.

Rev. F. E. Boren, who has been in business at Eureka for some years, has accepted the call to Kenwood and Glen Ellen and is at work.

Rev. Jerome C. Holmes is spending his closing days at Santa Rosa in quarantine with his son, who has scarlet fever. He expects to sail for Hawaii late in January to enter upon his new field.

The Superintendent and his family are residing at 1835 San Antonio Ave., Berkeley. They will be glad to see their friends who find it convenient to call.

Rev. George E. Atkinson has closed his work at Ceres and opened at Sebastopol.

Rev. Henry Stauffer is serving the Antioch Church as stated supply until Easter. Congregations have increased and the finances of the church are being put on a firmer basis.

Rev. C. G. Marshall is again serving the church at Sunnyvale as pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Saunders and two daughters were callers at our Conference office on December 31. On January 2 they sailed for India.

Mr. Stewart Potter, student at San Anselmo, is supplying our church at San Rafael for the month of January.

Rev. C. H. Cleaves, pastor of Pilgrim Church, Oakland, is recovering from an illness of several weeks' duration. All Thanksgiving and Christmas programs were carried out as scheduled. Among the many activities of this church are Boy Scouts, Pioneers, Friendly Indians and Men's Club. All are reported as thriving and rendering community service.

ARE YOU NEXT?

We are gradually going through the list of subscribers to The Pacific and sending out letters to those whose subscriptions have expired, asking for their renewals. If we don't receive these renewals then we are forced to the conclusion that these people do not care to receive The Pacific any more. Evidence of your interest costs 25 cents a year. We want to send you The Pacific if you want it, but if you don't want it there is no use bothering the postman to bring it to you. We know there is something in The Pacific that will be of interest to you. Will you help us by sending in your renewal promptly? It would help if you would not wait to receive our letters.

Rev. James H. More began his pastorate at the Plymouth Congregational Church on Sunday, November 3. Mr. Blake Franklin, as Moderator of the Conference, gave greetings of the churches.

"For Christ Crusade"

The churches of Stockton without outside leadership or special offerings have united in a program to enlist "The Whole Church for the Whole Life of the Whole Community." Beginning January 5 the week of prayer will be observed, with chimes, bells and radios calling people to silent devotion at 9 every evening.

The Sundays following are designated "Come to Church Day," "Roll Call Day," "Family Day," "Stewardship Day," "Neighbors' Day," "Decision Day," and "New Members' Day." Each church works its own program.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

What a blessing our Christmas offering to the Board of Ministerial Relief brings to our retired ministers and widows. On December 21 we were able to send \$63 to each minister and \$51 to each widow on our list of pensioners. We wish that the donors could read some of the letters of appreciation that have come to the office, and could learn of the needs which this money has helped to supply.

Valley Ministers Unite

The ministers of the San Joaquin Valley met in Fresno on December 11 to bid farewell to Dr. W. J. Minchin as Superintendent and to welcome Rev. Harley H. Gill, his successor. Pastors of German speaking, Japanese, Armenian and American churches. Each man spoke briefly of his work and expressed a desire for greater fellowship with his brethren. As a result, it was decided to organize a Valley Ministers' Union which would meet two or three times a year for purposes of closer acquaintanceship. Rev. Norman B. Henderson of Fresno was asked to serve as temporary chairman. Those present were:

- Rev. G. M. Manavian, Fowler.
- Rev. G. L. Brakemeyer, 253 Abby St., Fresno.
- Rev. H. M. Baumann, 405 "E" St., Fresno.
- Rev. Norman B. Henderson, 1256 Divisadero St., Fresno.
- Rev. Benjamin H. Kissler, Biola.
- Rev. F. C. Zahl, 254 "E" St., Fresno.
- Rev. D. S. Yenovkian, P.O. Box 180, Fowler.
- Rev. O. J. Torvik, 220 W. Tulare St., Tulare.
- Rev. J. K. Fukushima, 801 "B" St., Fresno.
- Rev. H. P. Reiter, Route 1, Box 159, Sanger.
- Rev. B. Dent Naylor, 620 Putnam Ave., Porterville.
- Rev. Cornelius Richert, 260 "F" St., Fresno.

WELL DONE! PITTSBURG

"Exactly 100 new members received in 1929." This glad news comes from Rev. C. C. Champlin, pastor at Pittsburg. A goal of another hundred has been adopted for 1930. In fact, goals have been set up for C. E., Ladies' Auxiliary, and Sunday School. May there be a touch down for every one.

MIDWINTER MEETING

The Midwinter Meeting will be held in Chicago January 18 to 23. Dr. T. T. Giffen will represent Northern California on the Home Board and Commission on Missions, and Dr. Harley H. Gill will attend the Superintendents' Conference.

RENO PROGRESSING

The Federated Church at Reno is laying plans for remodeling their present building or erecting a new educational and social unit. Rev. Wm. Moll Case is pastor. He and Mrs. Case furnish a real home for many of the students at the University of Nevada. Recently they entertained 35 at a turkey dinner.

TOGETHER

Fewer churches and better churches! Fewer ministers and better ministers!

This is one of the imperative needs of today.

The cutthroat, competitive, devil-take-the-hindmost spirit is in the d's card. We are getting together in business, why should not the churches lead the way? The New Testament word is together. They were all together in one place, they prayed together, worked together, did their charity work together.

The spectacle of a divided Church—Catholic and Protestant, liberal and fundamentalist, ignorant of each other's program, working at cross purposes is the scandal of Christendom.

In a world of suspicion, hatred and lust for gain, what leadership does a divided Church offer?

The denominations meant something distinctive and were necessary in their day. It is right to take pride in the regiment and regimental trappings but the army is the big thing and the commands and spirit of the Leader are the essentials.

We will get together not on creeds and definitions but in service—service to children to secure them their right to be well born, their right to play and the best education; service to the sick, jobless, dependents; service to bring in a better social order; service in every way that incarnates the spirit of Him who went about doing good.

—San Mateo Congregational Church Bulletin.

The San Mateo Church Bulletin lists 45 services and meetings for the month of January.

DR. F. F. GOODSSELL RETURNS

Our own Dr. Fred Field Goodsell has accepted the post of Executive Vice-President of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. After a brief visit in America he has returned to Turkey to close up his work there preparatory to entering upon his new duties April first. Dr. Goodsell has been a wise leader and commanding figure in Turkey during the years of transition in that rapidly awakening land. His election will be widely applauded by the churches and missionaries.

ASILOMAR RALLY

Asilomar spirit! Asilomar songs! Asilomar crowd! They were all manifested at First Church, Berkeley, Friday evening, December 27. 167 sat down to dinner and about 50 additional came for the program. Petaluma led in number present with 27. Outside of the Bay cities there were splendid delegations from Fairfax, Stockton, San Jose, Palo Alto and Santa Cruz. Wesley Campbell presided. The Petaluma young people gave a play "What Men Live By." Dr. R. C. Waddell spoke on "The High Adventure." Dr. Noel J. Breed was introduced as Conference Director for 1930. Miss Mary Frances Thelan was in charge of the music.

COMING EVENTS

- January 13—Meeting of Conference Board of Trustees.
- January 14—Bay Association, Olivet Church, Oakland.
- January 16 and 17—Annual Meeting of Federation Congregational Women.
- February 4-5-6—Pastoral Conference, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley.
- April 25—Conference Young People's Rally at Petaluma.
- August 2-9—Northern California Congregational Conference and Young People's Conference at Asilomar.
- September 30 to October 2—Pacific Slope Congress, Berkeley.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE SECTION

PLANS FOR THE 1930 YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUMMER CONFERENCE ARE UNDER WAY

A mixed committee of young people and adult counselors are working on the program of the Annual Summer Conference at Pomona College.

Contrary to former announcement the dates of the 1930 Conference will be June 27th to July 5th. The proposed change to a September meeting is rendered impossible because of the renovation of the Pomona College buildings. For this reason the usual procedure of having the Conference at the beginning of the vacation period will be followed.

As an added attraction for 1930 it is hoped that the members of the Congregational Young People's good-will delegation to Japan, led by Mr. Paul Waterhouse, can be given an official send-off by the Conference during its session. These favored young people are to report to their churches upon return to America, and some will be asked to lead seminars on Japan at the 1931 Midwinter convention. Plans are also being made to have a visiting delegate from Mexico this summer, as was done last year with Miss Koide from Japan. There will be two or three representatives of other races on the faculty too.

Leadership for the Conference is being chosen with the usual care, the principle being to get the best possible man or woman for every subject, thus maintaining a high level of teaching. Mrs. John Hestor of Los Angeles is the chairman of the program committee, and will be assisted by Mrs. James Montague, Rev. John R. Lyons, Ellen Prince, Bob Clark, and Mr. Sidney Buckham. The committee plans to begin the promotion of delegations earlier than before with the hope of getting a wider representation of the churches of Southern California in attendance. Last year 44 different churches were represented in an enrollment of 261.

The opening announcements of the Conference will be made to the young people attending the Saturday evening banquet of the Midwinter Convention at Riverside, January 11th. Registrations for this event are coming in rapidly, and it shows promise of being the start of a splendid year for Congregational young people in Southern California.

YOUR MEXICAN BROTHERS

Your Mexican brothers are happy in their knowledge of the Gospel. They feel a profound gratitude for the missionaries who have come from your country to bring us this knowledge. Their names are written on our hearts. And now we feel increased gratitude upon learning that the "Southern California Conference" our present alma mater, following in the footsteps of the American Board, not only proposes to direct, but also is interested in having the Mexican church take the initiative, give suggestions and raise up leaders who will work together with you in the beautiful task of carrying the message of Christ to our countrymen.

What is the result of this fine attitude of the Conference? There are two results: An increase of affection on our part toward the Conference, and redoubled spirit for the work. All, absolutely all the workers as members of the General Board have greater joy in the work; we want to do more, we are struggling with new enthusiasm, and we are sure the work will go forward.

The last meeting of the General Board in Mexico was something like an "oiling" of the machinery of our new-born organization. At first the

opinions were contradictory, some were afraid, others enthusiastic, but now, four months after those meetings, we all have faith. This is due to the fact that we have been permitted to attempt a program that was the product of the enthusiasm of the native workers.

I have spoken of the "General Board of Congregational Churches in Mexico." What is this that has such a long name? It is the meeting of all the workers who labor in Mexico: Missionaries, pastors, principals of our schools, lay delegates from the churches and delegates from the teaching forces of our schools, all of us get together every year to deal with the matters that have to do with the evangelical work in the territory that we have under our responsibility. This Board has no coercive power whatsoever over the churches, but these have agreed to respect its decisions. This Board, or meeting, with the efficient help of all of you and with the blessing of God, will be the agency to carry forward, from triumph to triumph, the evangelization of this enchanting bit of Mexican soil.

APOLINAR ZAMBRANO y RAMIREZ
Pastor of Congregational Church at Guadalajara.

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF GUADALAJARA

Dear Friend: You are cordially invited to an extra session related to the business of the church which will be held Monday, the 11th of the present month, at eight o'clock in the "El Mezias."

The object of the meeting will be to discuss the accompanying program along with other important matters.

EL PASTOR,

Apolinar Zambrano y Ramirez.

THE SECRETARY,

Roberto Villalobos L.
Guadalajara, Nov. 1929.

Outline of the Plan of Social Work in the City of Guadalajara

The general object of the work will be the moral, physical, intellectual, spiritual and pecuniary betterment of the city, and aiming at the development of the citizenship of the best citizens.

This plan contains an outline of the various activities which, when carried out in an effective way, will result in the improvement already mentioned.

1. Instruct the city through conferences, along the line of hygiene, thrift, anti-alcoholism, care and education of children, and the improvement of the home, the city and the country.

2. Awaken a desire on the part of the city to become better informed.

3. To give an opportunity for diversion to those who do not possess the means to attend centers already in use, because of a lack of money.

4. Awaken in the people a desire for the better things of life, moral, physical and intellectual.

To carry out this work suitable locations are needed in the various parts of the city as well as a printing press for the preparation of materials to be used.

II. To Open Industries of Good Will Aim

1. To give work to persons who need it, paying them a small wage.

2. Reduce mendicancy, and restore the self-respect of the beggar class that now subsist on charity.

3. Meet the necessities in certain type of home placing within their reach certain articles of first necessity such as clothes, furniture, etc.

In this work, all persons of good

will would be solicited to cooperate in this betterment by contributing such used articles as might be at their disposal. Such articles as contributed would be remodeled to suit the needs.

In order to carry out this plan it would be necessary to secure suitable quarters with rooms suited to the prosecution of such a program. It would demand workshops, machinery, tools and a sales room, where the goods produced could be disposed of.

III. Organization of Clubs and Sport Activities for Youth the Aim

1. To give an opportunity to working young men for proper recreation.

2. To withhold the young men from places of vice as much as possible. Such as places of gambling and kindred immoralities.

3. Develop the moral fiber through healthful, sand sports.

For the proper development of this phase of the work suitable grounds, places of meeting and apparatus will be necessary in convenient places, with bath accommodations where needed.

IV. Opening of Playground for Children Aim

1. To afford an opportunity for the needed diversion in a sane way and under supervision.

2. To gather the children in off the streets where they are now compelled to seek recreation despite all the immoralities that attend such places of play.

3. To use the medium of games and play for the development of the moral life of the child.

In order to carry out this program suitable grounds and equipment will be necessary, placed in the different districts. A bath will also be needed.

V. To Establish an Employment Agency—Aim

To aid the unemployed in securing a livelihood. This would necessitate a generally understood place where unemployed and employer could be brought together.

VI. The Establishment of a Small Library—Aim

1. To awaken in the people a desire of knowledge.

2. To supply this need in a way that it will not cost the needy a cent.

3. To afford an opportunity to those who have time on their hands to dedicate it to personal improvement.

To care for this department there would be need of a room, a book case, some tables and a few chairs. Moreover there would be needed some periodicals, reviews and magazines.

REV. EDWARD A. THOMPSON, D.D. PASTOR FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, PASADENA

(Taken from the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Congregational Conference of Illinois, held October 23, 1929).

"In the departure of Dr. E. A. Thompson, Illinois Congregationalism loses one of its strongest and most effective leaders. As pastor and preacher, he has set a high standard. As organizer and executive, he has not only brought his own church up to a remarkable degree of efficiency, but he has also made a large contribution by generously sharing his talents in serving on the boards of other great institutions such as the Congregational Conference of Illinois, the Chicago Congregational Missionary and Extension Society, the Chicago Theological Seminary, and other organizations.

"Therefore, be it resolved that we hereby express our sincere apprecia-

tion to Dr. Thompson; that we commend him most heartily and with utmost confidence to our brethren in his new field of labor, especially to the First Congregational Church of Pasadena, California, and to the Congregational Conference of Southern California; that a copy of this appreciation be sent to Dr. Thompson, to the members of the First Congregational Church of Pasadena, and to the Board of Trustees of the Congregational Conference of Southern California."

PROJECTS

Miss Jeanie L. Jillson, whose address is care The American Press, Beirut, Syria, writes as follows: "A letter recently received from Miss Uline of the American Board, Boston, states that the churches of Southern California are to share in the support of this new work that I have entered upon in Beirut. It is a very great pleasure to me to feel that I am to be in still closer relationship with the friends of California than before. I remember with special pleasure my visit three and a half years ago, when I had the privilege of being at the annual meeting at Long Beach, of visiting San Diego and Wheeler, of having several delightful days in the home of Mrs. Lash and of meeting many friends in the churches in Los Angeles.

I have written since my return to Turkey to different ones and I am asking Miss Uline to send you now a copy of the last general letter I have written. I have been very grateful for all the interest of the friends in the past and it means a great deal to me that that interest is to be continued, and is to be even more intimate, as I think of their helping in this special support of the work here."

Sherman Institute—Rev. Floyd O. Burnett has been appointed Director of Religious Education by the Home Missions Council in place of Mr. G. W. Cell, resigned. Herewith follows an excerpt from the "Chapel News" of December 16th:

Bible Classes Established

Classes will be organized at the beginning of the second semester and held in the administration building of Sherman Institute, under the supervision of the school authorities.

"How We Got Our Bible," and "The Life and Times of Jesus," will be two of the courses offered.

Rev. Floyd O. Burnett, director of Religious Education, was graduated from Central Missouri State Teachers College, Warrensburg, Missouri, with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree, and from Hartford seminary, School of Religious Education, with the master of art degree. He has also had courses in theology and is an ordained minister.

Miss Veva Wight will be the other instructor. Miss Wight holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of California at Berkeley, and has specialized in religious work.

Father Hennesy will be in charge of the Catholic instruction.

This is one of the greatest steps that has been made in connection with religious work at Sherman for some time. Sherman is the second federal school in the United States to offer courses in Religious Education.

The Southern California Congregational Conference contributes \$500 a year to the support of this work in Sherman Institute.

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WILSON LEAVES

Rev. Lawrence Wilson, Pastor of the Mission Hills Church, San Diego, for the last six years, has resigned in order to accept the call to the First Congregational Church of Sacramento. The loss for Southern California will be the gain for Northern California. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have rendered a great service in Southern California and have endeared themselves to the whole city. They have taken a general interest not only in the church in the city which they serve, but in the whole work of the Conference. Their going will mean a distinct loss in many directions.

ANNIVERSARY

Hemet-San Jacinto, Pilgrim Church
Rev. Wm. I. Newman, pastor, celebrated on December 15th the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Little Lake church, with an appropriate program.

The speaker at the morning service was Dr. George F. Kenngott, superintendent of the Congregational churches of Southern California. His address was followed by a brief talk by the Rev. H. V. Hartshorn, former pastor of the church. Rev. A. W. Thompson, former pastor of the First Congregational church of San Jacinto, took part in the service, and the Rev. H. M. Lyman, who was pastor of the San Jacinto church from 1917 to 1920, also assisted. Special music by Pilgrim quartet included "The Blessing," "Rose of Sharon" and "Where Jesus Dwells." The latter anthem followed a brief memorial service for the ministers, members and friends of the church who have passed away since its founding.

Following the morning service a pot luck dinner was served in Pilgrim hall. Rev. W. I. Newman read a history of the San Jacinto, Little Lake, and Pilgrim Congregational churches and brought greetings from former pastors and members of the church. Greetings were received from Rev. H. J. Vyverberg, Rev. William N. Burr, Rev. D. T. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stout, who were largely responsible for the founding of the Little Lake church, E. C. Coburn of Riverside and Mrs. Linda McNeil of Los Angeles.

Out of town guests included Dr. and Mrs. George F. Kenngott, Los Angeles; Rev. H. V. Hartshorn, Highland; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Norton of Long Beach; Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Newman, parents of Rev. W. I. Newman, of Long Beach.

News Items

Long Beach, Bay Shore, is making significant progress under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Wellington G. Pierce, who was for many years Director of Religious Education in the First Congregational Church of Long Beach. The Bay Shore church will come to self-support January 1, 1930, having received during 1929 missionary grant of \$1,000.00, of which \$500.00 came from the First Church of Long Beach.

Los Angeles Armenian Gethsemane, has called to the pastorate Rev. P. S. Levonian, pastor of the Armenian Church in Philadelphia, Penn.

Eagle Rock—Mr. Robert A. Woods, head for many years of the South End House in Boston, once said, "That the trouble with our churches is the intermittent nature of our moral undertakings." Rev. F. O. Wyatt, the pastor, is receiving rewards for his faithful and continuous pastorate with the Eagle Rock church.

Finnish—Rev. John F. Heino, pastor, had a Christmas celebration in the First Congregational Church, Los Angeles, on Sunday evening, December 22nd, which was largely attended. Program consisted of music selections and recitations by the children, music by the choir and a brief address by the Conference Superintendent.

Masis, Los Angeles, has been served since the resignations of Rev. H. H. Ashjian (who is pastor of a church in Chicago now) by Rev. S. M. Rejebian, who continues his pastorate of the Celicia Armenian Church in Pasadena.

Western Knoll—Rev. Paul A. Davies begins his pastorate in this church (of which Rev. Frank C. Reid was the pastor since 1923) on February 1.

All Souls' Church (Congregational)
Rev. Charles F. Aked, D.D., pastor;
Rev. H. C. Culbertson, D.D., co-pastor,
has resigned as of February 1st.

Mojave and Tehachapi, served jointly by Rev. John T. Munton, has great rejoicing over the fact that Mr. Munton has decided to remain, serving these churches. They were both originally Methodist churches, but are now joined under the direction of the Southern California Congregational Conference, with Mr. Munton as pastor.

Moreno—Nuevo churches have been served jointly for several months by Rev. Horace Porter, formerly pastor of the Congregational Church at Riverside. The attendance at both churches has been greatly increased.

Pasadena Neighborhood Church, Rev. Bradford Leavitt, pastor, since 1923, has resigned, and Professor T. G. Soares of University of Chicago, has been engaged as "supply" until Easter.

Ramona, of which Rev. W. W. Johnston was pastor for several years, rejoices in the coming of Rev. Isaac McRae, January 1st.

Rev. Henry B. Mowbray, pastor of the First Congregational Church of San Bernardino for many years, is paying a visit to Southern California from Hiram, Ohio, his native home.

Santa Susana—Rev. John A. Shaw, pastor, writes as follows: "The work in Santa Susana is suddenly closed and the building is gone. Through some mistake of the trustees the lots on which the church was built fell into the hands of a real estate dealer who raised the price on the lots to a prohibitive figure. . . . The closing of the church was like a flash of lightning. I had announced the communion and, at the close of the service one of the men of the congregation came back into the church in haste to tell me that there were some men outside looking at the property. I went out to them and one of the men told me that they were going to move the building. I pleaded for time, saying that I had announced our communion. One of them said "No, it must be moved this week." That is all the notice I had. The man had pledged his word to give a lot nearby and to move the building to it; but they had no signed agreement, though he promised to furnish it."

Shafter—Since the resignation of Rev. E. A. Waldo, Rev. John A. MacDonald, pastor of the church at Wasco, has been serving both churches. This makes a good arrangement. The many friends of Mr. Waldo will be delighted to know that his health is much improved.

Ventura—Rev. W. S. Middlemass, pastor, has a fine new church building. The two churches, Congregational and Presbyterian, are getting along happily under the efficient pastoral leadership of Mr. Middlemass.

Yucaipa is closed for the present, since the resignation of Rev. James R. Hewitt, pastor. The community is much overchurched and has suffered greatly because of the many financial difficulties which have confronted it.

Miss Lucille Day, for several years missionary of the American Board in Turkey, is now with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Day, 907 Fiske Street, Pacific Palisades (Telephone: Santa Monica 25406). Miss Day is available for addresses on Turkey.

Barstow—Rev. Isaac McRae, pastor, closed his successful pastorate December 31, 1929, and began his pastorate at Ramona January 1, 1930. Barstow has made great progress under the efficient pastoral leadership of Mr. McRae, who has been greatly helped in all his work by Mrs. McRae, in charge of the music.

Rev. R. S. Holding has resigned his position as Superintendent of the Mexican work in Southern California and his pastorate of the Chino Mexican church, February 1st. Mr. Holding has had a large experience in work among Spanish speaking people, under the direction of the Friends in Porto Rico and Cuba. He has rendered a faithful service, I am sure, to the Mexicans in the Pomona Valley, the district allocated by the Comity Committee to the Congregational denomination.

Etiwanda—Rev. Horace J. Mallows, pastor. Etiwanda is making good progress under the pastoral leadership of Mr. Mallows. Recently the church invited Mr. Robert Boyd, a student at Pomona College, to become Director of Religious Education, giving week-end service.

La Mesa Heights Community—Rev. C. W. Hill, D. D., has resigned the pastorate of his church to take effect February 1st. Dr. Hill will make his home with friends in Honolulu. It is proposed to have Rev. Sanford B. Kurtz, pastor of the Lemon Grove church, nearby, to serve both Lemon Grove and La Mesa Heights.

Annual Meeting of the Conference will be held with the Claremont Congregational Church by invitation of that church on May 12-14, 1930. Instead of having the young people meet at the same place and immediately prior to the Conference, the young people will have their mid-winter convention at Riverside, January 11 and 12, 1930.

Rev. Horace Porter, living at Riverside, is serving the church at Moreno as pastor.

Rialto came to self-support at the very beginning of the pastorate of Rev. T. M. Patterson.

Mayflower Congregational Church Building, 120 No. Daly street, Los Angeles, has been sold to the Salvation Army.

Pacoima has as its resident pastor, Rev. W. A. Schwimley, formerly pastor at Escondido.

Escondido has its pastor, Rev. A. B. MacLeod, formerly pastor at Claremont.

Rev. E. A. Waldo, pastor at Shafter, is in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles, for treatment.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

of the

Congregational Church Extension Society

of Los Angeles

in the

HOLLYWOOD CHURCH, Hollywood Boulevard and Sycamore Avenue
Friday Evening, January 31st, 1930

Social Hour 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall,
followed by Reports of Officers, Election and Address by Rev. Edward
A. Thompson, D.D., Pastor First Congregational Church, Pasadena.

TICKETS, FIFTY CENTS

ALL are cordially invited. Every Congregationalist should attend.
Please notify the Superintendent, Rev. George F. Kenngott, Phone
TUcker 4524, before Thursday Noon, January 30th,
if you intend to be present.

DR. STEPHEN A. NORTON

Dr. Stephen A. Norton, clergyman and educator, passed away on New Year's night. He was a graduate of Carleton College and had received degrees from Amherst, Hartford Theological Seminary and Chicago Theological Seminary. He had held three pastorates in California, at Highland, San Diego and Manhattan Beach, and had taken an active place in Congregational work.



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